

City Times

NEWSLETTER

Happy July, Team!

"There's no greater challenge and there is no greater honor than to be in public service."
-Condoleezza Rice

Check out some of WHAT'S NEXT for us here at the City of Lawton:

- **2019 Independence Day:** 7/4/19, City-wide Closure for observation
- **Crafts, Movies & More:** Through July @Lawton Public Library
- **Junior Citizens Police Academy:** Begins in July, coordinated through LPD
- **Citizens Academy:** Coordinated through the CM Office, begins 7/25/19
- **Scores & Doors Workshops:** Tuesdays/Thursdays in July @Patterson Community Center



The City of Lawton hosted a Career Fair on June 26, 2019, which included most City Departments and saw more than 175 visitors!

Hats off to the Human Resources Team, who took the lead on organizing and promoting this event!

Find vacant City positions by [Clicking Here.](#)



JULY 2019
CITY MANAGERS OFFICE
580.581.3301

CONGRATULATIONS!

On your Years of Service!

FIVE YEARS

*Alyssa Lydon
Anthony Crawford
Gary Brooks*

TEN YEARS+

*Quinton Fixico
Saddia Tasso*

TWENTY YEARS+

*Terry Sellers
Mark Floyd
James Breedlove
Vernon Young
Sharon Thompson
John Cutty
Eddie Atkinson
Craig Akard*



**HAPPY, HAPPY
BIRTHDAY TO YOU!**

July Employee Birthdays:

Jeffery McCoy	Deston Stanfield	Russell Hill
Brody Huggins	John Alonzo	Brad Davis
Mark Dorrell Jr.	Donald Adams	Tammy Grube
Edwina Guitierrez	Julie Snodgrass	Tyrone Webb
Joshua Murrow	Melaine Powers	Steven Greb
Steven Schelter	Tina Somerlott	Terry Emerson
Brad Delozier	Beverly Sinor	Jay Burk
Brandon Bailey	Terry Emerson	Randy Hall
Kimberly Morton	Anthony Edwards Jr.	Amber Cole
Ulysses Henderson	Heidi Thomason	Tony Hansley
Michele Winham	William Warren	Dudley Teeter
Matthew McKinney	Matthew Wade	Brian Shotts
Bryan Degiacomo	Michael Whisman	Steve Coleman
Tammy Anderson	Jerome Payton	Randy Warren
Adam Delciello Cox	Tomas Garcia Arroyo	Troy Carney Jr.
Antonio Martinez-Phillips	George Bruce Jr.	April Ruddock
Christopher Thomas Jr.	Clifford Martin	Neil Lucas
Kenan Mandawe	Darla McDaniel	David Acosta
Melissa Zermeno	Christina Bruch	Gary Brooks
Samantha Kenyon	Shelby Strobl	Scott Golden
Steven Monostori	Tyler Edison	Brian Morris
Curtis Hamilton	Ralph Helms Jr.	Brandon Foss
Felix Santillan	Terry McDougale	Cherry Callas
Christopher Womack	Marsha Pollard Pierceingram	

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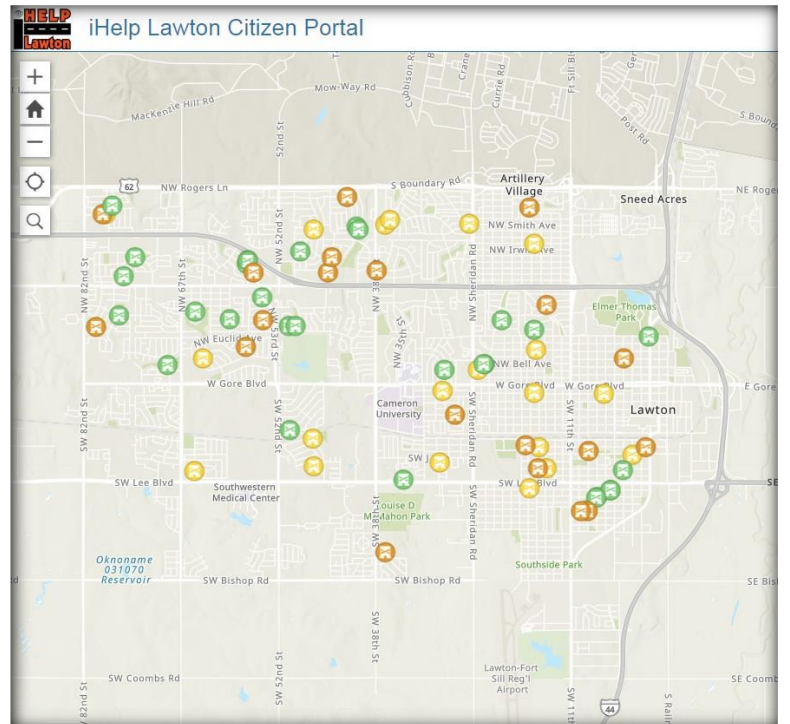


WELCOME TO OUR TEAM!

New City Hires

Neil Lucas, LPD
Cassandr Smith, WD
Louis Hertzog, SSC
Loanetra Whitley, Library
Jaydon Suppes, Library
Angel Hernandez, Library
Kenan Mandawe, LPD
Gunner Whitehead, LPD
Claire Jung, Parks & Rec
Gracie Garbutt, Parks & Rec
Pamela Pitts, Eq. Maint.
David Acosta, Traffic
Mario Davis, WWC
Destin Stanfield, Streets
Kayna Lopez, Library
Marisa Bolin, Library
Jordan Russell, Parks & Rec
Melody Brown, Parks & Rec
Alyssa Karty, Parks & Rec

iHelp Lawton Citizens Portal



[RELEASED 4 JUNE 2019]

In furthering its mission to provide the most efficient and responsive services to citizens, the City of Lawton will soon introduce a [new digital reporting system](#). The “iHelp Lawton” portal will allow residents to report issues ranging from potholes to tall weeds and grass with a few clicks of a button. It is expected to come online June 10.

“The initial rollout of this program will incorporate our Streets Division and our Neighborhood Services Division,” said Information Technology Director Gwendolyn Spencer. “These divisions receive and look into many concerns voiced from citizens. Now, instead of dialing a phone number or constructing an email, citizens can report these concerns faster and at any time of day through one portal.”

When a concern is submitted through iHelp Lawton, it is automatically forwarded to staff members of the responsible division. Staff will then have 24 hours to respond to the concern.

“That response may be a solution to the issue or may simply acknowledge that the issue has been received by staff,” Spencer said. “For citizens, ‘iHelp Lawton’ will allow for greater transparency and convenience of reporting but it will also streamline documenting and communication processes for staff when trying to resolve these issues.”

Upon rollout, citizens may access “iHelp Lawton” by visiting the homepage of lawtonok.gov – the official City of Lawton website. Spencer also plans to implement a mobile application for citizens at a later date.

“We are bringing Lawton into the digital age and bettering our business practice by implementing this program,” Spencer said, commenting that the passage of the January 2019 proposition – which allocated funds for IT upgrades and infrastructure by vote – communicated that technology enhancements are a priority for citizens.

Spencer has worked alongside other IT staff members and the GIS (Geographic Information System) team to create “iHelp Lawton,” but initial groundwork for the program began in July 2018 when Councilman Randy Warren of Ward 8 approached City Management about the idea. After months of testing, gathering input and designing a logo, the program is nearly ready for debut.

“GIS, who ran with the vision of Councilmember Warren last year, has been integral in the progress and implementation of this program,” said City Manager Michael Cleghorn. “We are proud of their initiative and all of the City staff members who came together to bring this vision to life. We aim to eventually make this a one-stop shop for citizens.”